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## RE-DRAFT FY 1976 KEY INTELLIGENCE QUESTIONS

### Substantive Objective

Provide accurate, timely and relevant information and assessments of Chinese internal and external policies and capabilities with respect to the United States, its allies, the USSR, <sup>and</sup> Southeast Asia, ~~and the Third World.~~

### Key Intelligence Questions

#### China: Internal Politics and Foreign Policy

(\*) 31. What major trends and changes are likely in Chinese foreign ~~and military~~ policies relating to the US and the USSR?

(\*) 32. While Mao and/or Chou remain alive, <sup>alignment</sup> how are the internal stresses and relationships within the central leadership and at the key regional levels likely to affect China's main lines of foreign, economic and military policy? <sup>What</sup> Should <sup>When</sup> Mao and/or Chou die, how are these policies likely to be affected by the succession process?

33. <sup>What are Peking's activities in</sup> Is Peking trying to attain a role as a leader of the Third World, and <sup>to what extent</sup> are these activities detrimental to the U.S.? <sup>South Asia</sup>

34. <sup>What are</sup> How is Peking carrying out its objectives <sup>in Asia particularly</sup> towards Thailand, Korea, the former states of Indo-China and Japan? <sup>South Asia</sup>

35. Will Peking be able to maintain its economic development and to what extent will it <sup>rely</sup> (depend) on the West to support its economy?

#### Chinese Military Capabilities

36. What is the present status of China's nuclear <sup>technology</sup> capabilities? <sup>technology</sup> <sup>R+D technology</sup>

<sup>Describe</sup> Include the types and locations of delivery vehicles, the numbers and types of weapons in stockpile and weapons technology.

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<sup>locations</sup>

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37. What progress are the Chinese making toward acquiring missile capabilities against the US and against the USSR west of the Urals *and what is its policy towards use of these weapons?*

38. What will be Chinese tactics against and negotiating position on Taiwan? What will Taiwan's policies (particularly military) be towards Peking?

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SUBJECT: Proposed China Key Intelligence Questions  
for FY 1976

Attached are Drafts of China Key Intelligence Questions (KIQs) proposed for FY 1976. I have also attached for your use a copy of FY 75 KIQs. I would appreciate any written or verbal comments you may have on these and rather than have a meeting I would rather we deal with this matter on a bilateral basis. We will, of course, have a meeting if it becomes necessary.

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Attachment:  
Draft KIQs FY 1976  
KIQs FY 1975

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